SHRI RAGHAVJI (Madhya Pradesh): Madam, you adjourn the House till 6.30 P.M.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: I don't know whether will finish it at 6.30 P.M. or not. As soon as the Budget Speech is over in the Lok Sabha, at 6.30 P.M. we will be meeting here in the Rajya Sabha again for the Budget to be laid on the Table of the House. So, the House is adjourned till that period.

The House then adjourned at twenty-six minutes past four of the clock.

The House reassembled at thirty-five minutes past six of the clock, **the Deputy Chairman** in the Chair.

श्री सिकन्दर बख्त: सदर साहिबा, अब तो जगह-जगह से शेयरों की बारिश होने लगी है।

†[इंतिज़ार था जिस दिल की शेरी सिकन्दर बख्त: सदर साहिबा - अब तो जगह जगह से शेयरों की बारिश होने लगी है।]

श्री मोहम्मद सलीम: यहां भी एक शेर होना चाहिए। चिदम्बरम जी शेर कहकर उसके बाद बजट ले करें।

†[शेरी मोहम्मद सलीम: यहाँ भी एक शेर होना चाहिये - चिदम्बरम जी - एक शेर कहकर उसके बाद बजट पेश करें।]

†[ ] Transliteration in Arabic Script.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: I must say that in spite of the fact that he comes from Tamil Nadu and Urdu is not his language, he did very well. So we congratulate him for doing that. I cannot read Tamil so well.

SHRI S. MUTHU MANI (Tamil Nadu): Madam, today he spoke in Hindi also.

THE BUDGET (GENERAL), 1996-97

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): Madam, I beg to lay on the Table a statement (in English and Hindi) of the estimated receipts and expenditure of the Government for the year 1996-97.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: What about a *sher*?

SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM: I should come from the Chair, Madam.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Would you like me to do it for you? Would the House allow me to do that; Match it Iqbal to Iqbal. There is a very famous *sher* which I like:

ऐ ताइरे लाहूती, उस रिज़्क़ से मौत अच्छी
जिस रिज़्क़ से आती हो परवाज़ में कोताही।।

The meaning is a high-flying bird flies very high in the sky. It is better to die than to come down from that height even to take food. So your flight should not be disturbed even for your food and you should keep flying high.

श्री सिकन्दर बख्त: सदर साहिबा, शेयर भी समझ में आ गया, शेयर के मानी भी समझ में आ गए, सूरते हाल पर उसका इत्तलाक़ क्या है, यह बताइए।

†اشرف سکندر بخت: صدر صاحب۔ شعر بھی سمجھ میں آ گیا۔ شعر کے معنی بھی سمجھ میں آ گئے۔ صدر تحائف پر اسکا اطلاق کیا ہے۔ یہ بتائیے؟

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Match to Iqbal. That is all. The House is adjourned till 11 a.m. tomorrow.

The House adjourned at thirty-seven minutes past six of the clock till eleven of the clock on Tuesday, the 23rd July, 1996.